

Weather Forecast

Moderate temperature this afternoon; warmer tonight. Temperatures today—Highest, 62, at 3 p.m.; lowest, 34, at 7:50 a.m.; 60 at 4 p.m.
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Late News Bulletins

46 Survivors of Sinking Reach Nassau

NASSAU, Bahamas (P).—Forty-six survivors of a torpedoed vessel reached Nassau Wednesday night with a report that three companions were drowned and one injured when their lifeboat sank not far from shore. It was the fourth group of survivors to reach this port in less than two weeks. In all, 171 have survived and 6 have died as a result of these sinkings in Bahamian waters.

MacArthur Due in Melbourne Tomorrow

MELBOURNE (P).—Gen. Douglas A. MacArthur is expected in Melbourne Saturday.

F. B. I. Agents Smash Huge Lottery Ring

The Justice Department announced today that agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, operating in 36 cities, had arrested 60 members of what was described by the department as the Nation's largest lottery ring.

Nazi Patrol Boat Sunk in Bay of Biscay

LONDON (P).—An R. A. F. flying boat destroyed a German naval patrol boat in the Bay of Biscay today, the Air Ministry announced tonight. Only this week the Admiralty declared the Bay of Biscay dangerous to shipping in a move to plug a blockade leak through which goods have been reaching Germany by way of France.

700 Casualties Inflicted on Japs in Burma

NEW DELHI, India (P).—Heavy fighting is going on in the vicinity of Tounghoo, important British defense position on the Sittang front protecting Central Burma, and some 700 casualties have been inflicted on the Japanese, a special communique said late today. Chinese forces are fighting the Japanese south of Pyu. A cavalry unit destroyed three armored cars and inflicted 100 casualties on the Japs. Pyu is 35 miles south of Tounghoo on the railway running northward from Rangoon.

Jap Reinforcements Reported on New Guinea

BERLIN (From German Broadcasts) (P).—Tokio dispatches, said to come from the Japanese front, reported today that strong new reinforcements had been landed on the northern coast of New Guinea.

(Earlier Story on Page A-1.)

Miss Suggs Wins North and South Title

PINEHURST, N. C.—Louise Suggs of Lithia Springs, Ga., won the 40th annual North and South women's golf championship today by defeating Mrs. Estelle Lawson Page, Jr., of Chapel Hill, the defending champion, 1 up, in the final match.

(Earlier Story on Page D-1.)

Use of Oils for Margarine and Soap Cut

The War Production Board today prohibited the use of coconut oil and other oils having a high glycerine yield for manufacture of margarine, shortening or cooking fat, and restricted their use in soap making to 75 per cent of 1941 consumption. Another order restricted use of palm oil after April 1.

Greek Ship Torpedoed Off Atlantic Coast

The Navy reported late today that a medium sized Greek merchant vessel had been torpedoed off the Atlantic Coast. The name of the ship was not given and the Navy did not make public here any detail of the torpedoing.

Thyssen Steelworks Bombed And Fires Started by R. A. F.

LONDON, March 20.—The Thyssen steelworks were bombed by the first planes to fly over the plant. One photograph showed one of the heaviest-type bombs bursting within a ring of flames that sent up a dense cloud of smoke.

Other photographs taken during the attack on Cologne, Rhineland communications center, showed fires burning in "many parts of the city," the news service said, as well as among factories, oil tanks and railway yards outside the city proper. The photographs indicated the administrative center of Cologne also was hit hard.

Tirpitz, Scheer, Prinz Eugen Now Reported at Trondheim

NEW YORK, March 20.—The British radio said today it had learned the German battleship Tirpitz returned to Trondheim, Norway, following the recent attack on her off the Norwegian coast by torpedo planes of the Royal Navy's air arm. The B. B. C. broadcast, heard here

by C. B. S., said further that the 10,000-ton pocket battleship Admiral Scheer and the cruiser Prinz Eugen, which dashed through the Channel from Brest, also were at Trondheim. The Prinz Eugen, it added, is known to be damaged.

"Thus about half the effectiveness of the German Navy are at present at Trondheim," the broadcast asserted.

Virginia Resorts Are Ordered To Put Out Lights Facing Sea

RICHMOND, Va., March 20.—Gov. Darden issued an executive order today directing Virginia Beach and other seashore resorts to eliminate lights that shine seaward and also to restrict the operation of automobiles with undimmed lights in the beach areas.

Covered by the order are Virginia Beach, Ocean View, Yorktown, Chesapeake Beach, Willoughby Beach, Buckner Beach, Cape Charles, Chincoteague, the Lynnhaven inlet area and "intervening vicinities."

Penalty for violation of the order is a fine of up to \$1,000 and a jail sentence of not more than 30 days. The order prescribes that no lights shall be visible seaward.

Signs such as those atop hotels and cottages would be eliminated and shop windows facing the sea would be dimmed. Automobiles using the streets would be forced to move with dimmed lights, and hotels and ocean front cottages which would have to black out all windows and doorways on the side facing the sea.

Principal reason for the dim-out

Inquiry Asked In Drive to Kill 40-Hour Week

Green Makes Demand; Navy Chief Charges War Output Is Hurt

(Earlier Story on Page A-1.)

President William Green of the A. F. L. today asked a congressional investigation of what he termed the campaign in Oklahoma for repeal by Congress of the 40-hour-week law and for legislation imposing other wartime restrictions on labor.

Both Mr. Green and President Philip Murray of the C. I. O. told the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee investigating war production that labor was wholeheartedly behind the war effort, and that restrictive legislation now might impede production gains.

Mr. Green testified that Oklahoma "schoolchildren were asked to surrender lunch money to send telegrams to Senator Lee," Democrat, of Oklahoma asking action on anti-labor legislation.

No Investigation Planned. Mr. Murray told reporters he had supplied the committee with a copy of a circular letter which he said had been sent out by Thomas J. Watson, of Nashville, Tenn., to Southern manufacturers, employers and editors, asking them to join in the demand for repeal of the 40-hour week and for enactment of "other anti-labor legislation."

The C. I. O. leader said he had asked an investigation of what he termed a "blitzkrieg on the part of labor baiters and enemies of our Government."

Chairman Thomas of the subcommittee, however, said this group planned no investigation either of Mr. Murray's charges or of Mr. Green's.

Mr. Murray testified that labor already had promised the President to "forgo the instrument of strike" during the war period "and now to the Congress and the Nation we repeat that pledge."

Charges Denied. Both labor leaders denied that the 40-hour week provision was impeding production or increasing war costs. Both insisted that strikes had not interfered with war production since Pearl Harbor.

"The charge that strikes are impeding the war production is a gross slander upon the patriotism of American workers," Mr. Murray said. "We cannot in this country reach a maximum productive effort by the methods of Hitler, by enslaving our working people."

But, at almost the same time, Assistant Secretary of the Navy Ralph Bard told the House Naval Affairs Committee that Congress should establish a national labor policy unless

No Money Received For Campaign, Says Oklahoma Publisher

OKLAHOMA CITY, March 20.—The Oklahoma City Times, in an editor's note above a living part of the American tradition, a tradition that goes back to Israel Putnam, who left his plow in a New England furrow to take up a gun and fight at Bunker Hill.

"In this tradition American men of many ages have always left the peaceful pursuit of their usual occupations to fight in causes that were worth their lives—from Lexington to the Argonne."

All Services Honored. Remembering that this Nation does not maintain a great standing Army that might "terrorize our neighbors and oppress our people" and that we do not like to rehearse interminably the cruel art of war, Mr. Roosevelt

closed with a reiteration that the peaceful citizens of the land forever have been ready to forge and to use the weapons necessary for their defense.

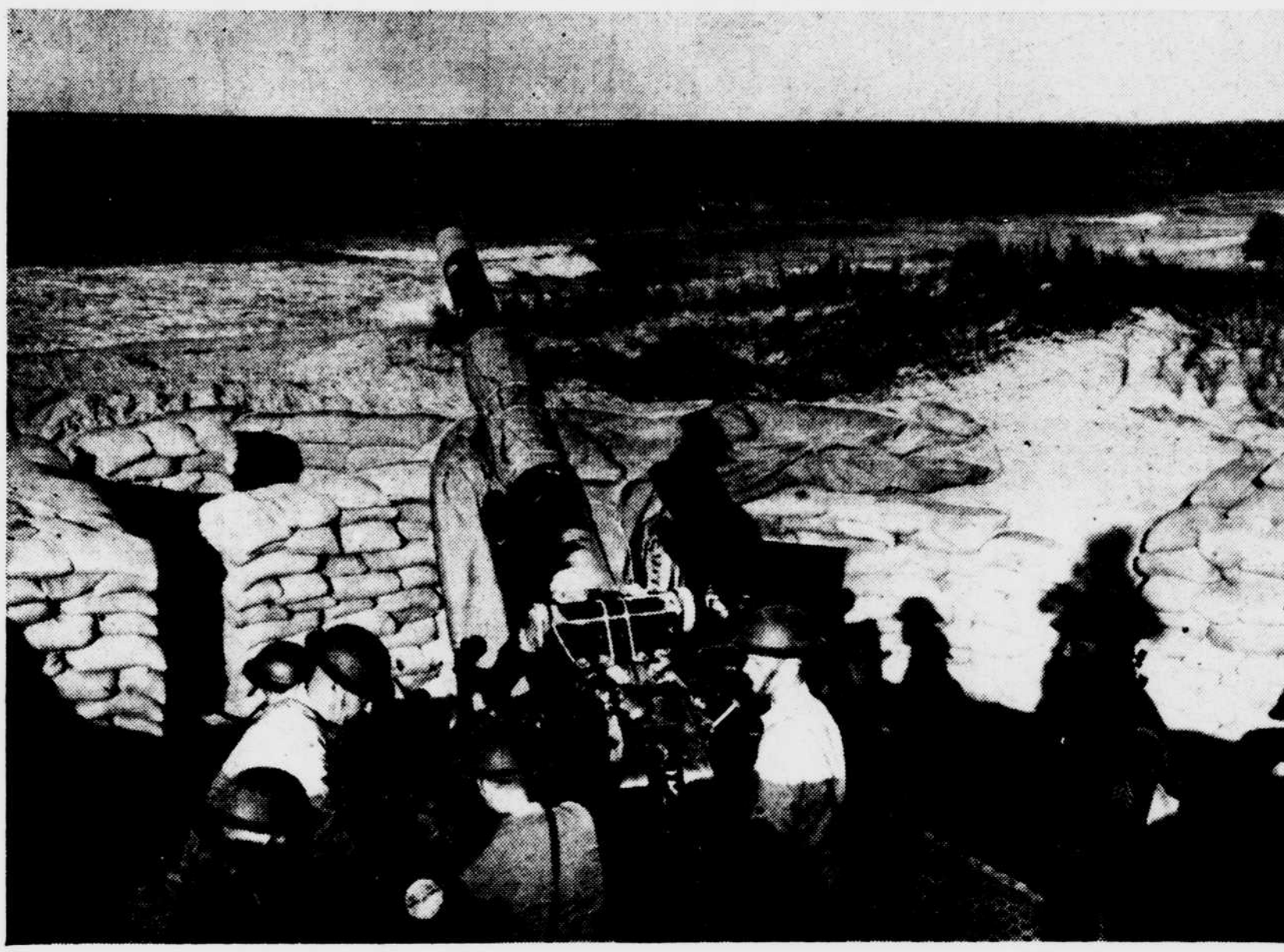
In announcing the date of the Army Day observances, the President said that as in the case of Navy Day last fall, all of the Nation's armed services would be accorded special recognition.

Fourth Race—Purse, \$1,000; claiming, 4-year-olds and upward; 1 1/16 miles. Key: Main (Young) 7.50, 4.70, 3.40, 2.50, 1.70, 1.10, 1.00.

Also ran—Le Chat, Lassator, Cash, Bala and Wise Niece.

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Also ran—Toma Ladd, Plank, County Sweeney, Doolittle, Breda, Akkara, Weyrie, Pirnie Fin.



DAILY SESSION—These United States Army gunners are shooting a dummy shell at imagined aircraft during one of their daily drills at a coastal station in Puerto Rico. Uncle Sam is taking utmost precautions in these Caribbean outposts guarding the Panama Canal to insure complete defense against any enemy. The men keep in trim by practicing each day under regular firing conditions. Photo released today by the Army Signal Corps.

U. S. Sure to Win War, Says Roosevelt; Sets Army Day April 6

President Urges Nation To Join in Tribute To Service Men

President Roosevelt assured the Nation this afternoon that we shall win this war, "as we have won every war we have fought."

The Chief Executive's words of determination and comfort were contained in a formal statement urging the people to observe Army Day April 6 as "a total war day" when all citizens in civil pursuits can rally to a full support of the armed forces. A proclamation calling for the observance was issued by the President this morning.

"Never before in the 166 years of our history as a free republic under God have our armed forces had so much meaning for us all," the commander in chief said. "We are engaged in our greatest war, a war that will leave none of our lives wholly untouched."

Army's Might Praised. After expressing his confidence that once again American might will be victorious, the President observed that "our Army is a mighty arm of the tree of liberty."

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Dr. Evatt, Australian Minister, Asks Pacific War Council Here

Visitor Silent on Appointment Of Casey to Cabinet Post in Cairo

(Earlier Story on Page A-1.)

By BLAIR BOLLES. Dr. Herbert V. Evatt, Australian Minister for External Affairs, told a press conference today that he intended to urge on the American Government immediate establishment here of a Pacific council for the political supervision of the war in the Southwest Pacific, on which the governments of Australia, New Zealand and the United States would be equally represented.

Indicating dissatisfaction with the present mode of political co-ordination of the war in the Pacific, Dr. Evatt intimated he thought this council should sit in Washington, because, he pointed out, it is closer to the scene of Pacific battles than London.

The Australian visitor also urged full representation for his country and New Zealand on the joint staff military council which now sits in Washington with English and American representatives.

Confers With Roosevelt. The Pacific council which now sits in London has only British Empire representatives and is dominated by the United Kingdom government.

Commission Objects To Mall Dormitories On Three Counts

Planners Will Urge President to Pick Some Of 40 Other Sites

(Earlier Story on Page A-1.)

Federal planners late today found three objections to President Roosevelt's plan for erecting dormitories in the center of the Mall and announced they would offer him several suggestions for other usable sites.

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Guthrie Case Inquiry May Lead to Wider W. P. B. Investigation

House Group to Question Other High Officials, Possibly Nelson

By the Associated Press.

A congressional investigation of the circumstances of the resignation of Robert R. Guthrie as head of the Textile, Clothing and Leather Goods Section of the War Production Board seemed headed today toward extension into broader fields.

Chairman Faddis of the House Military Affairs Subcommittee studying the Guthrie case announced after Mr. Guthrie had finished testifying that he would hear testimony from industrial leaders and probably would call as witnesses many W. P. B. officials, possibly including Donald M. Nelson, W. P. B. director.

Mr. Guthrie, who concluded his second day of testimony with charges of failure to plan for supplies of textiles to meet the war emergency, told the committee "numerous substantial businessmen" had requested that they be allowed to testify in support of allegations he has made against W. P. B. activities.

Admits Inexperience. Mr. Guthrie told the subcommittee today he had no previous experience in textile manufacturing. "I made no application for this job," he testified. "I was asked to do it" by a deputy of Mr. Nelson.

The committee, investigating circumstances of the Guthrie resignation, inquired searching into his qualifications for the position he had held since August 1.

At one point, Representative Thomas, Republican, of New Jersey, asked the witness whether "any one over there knows less than you do about these things," Mr. Guthrie did not reply.

In January of this year, Mr. Guthrie said, he was made assistant chief of the Bureau of Industry Branches, at the request of Philip Reed, chief of the bureau. The promotion, he said, he told, resulted from his "outstanding work" in organizing the textile section. He emphasized he had "no pull of any sort."

Mr. Guthrie asserted the "whole cotton effort is not planned," in W. P. A., and "neither the Army nor the Navy can get anything like the amount of duck they need. He blamed duck manufacturers largely for resistance to his plan to convert the carpet industry to duck manufacture.

Simpler Procedure Urged. "It is my opinion that the duck manufacturers don't want the carpet manufacturers to enter the duck field," Mr. Guthrie said.

Mr. Guthrie complained of inability of W. P. B. officials, especially in his section, to obtain necessary information on the armed forces' textile needs, and an Army Air Corps officer would not disclose the probable needs of silk and nylon for parachutes. This inability to obtain information, he said, made it extremely difficult to work out a planned program.

Asked by Mr. Faddis if "too much red tape" retarded action in W. P. B., Mr. Guthrie replied:

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Germans Admit Break-Through Near Orel

Russian-Japanese Fishing Agreement Reported Renewed

(Earlier Story on Page A-3.)

The Vichy radio today broadcast a report that Soviet forces have entered Staraya Russa, northwestern anchor of the German winter line, where 96,000 Germans of Hitler's 16th Army long have been trapped, the Associated Press stated in a dispatch from London.

The news closely followed German broadcasts acknowledging that heavy Russian attacks in the last few days northeast of Orel, south and west of Moscow, had carried through the German lines. Berlin reported that one village was captured but said the defenders were able to reorganize their defense lines.

Garrison Captured.

Earlier, Moscow said Red Army troops had wrested an important defense center from the Germans in the Staraya Russa sector and captured the garrison commander and 15 other survivors. Tass news agency said captured documents showed the 16th Army men were exhausted, forced to live on a limited ration of lentil porridge.

Meanwhile, from Kuibyshev, Russia, came news by Exchange Telegraph that Russia has renewed for one year her agreement with Japan to permit fishing in the waters off Siberia. Negotiations on this question have been regarded as a gauge of Russian-Japanese relations. Refusal to renew the agreement, which expired December 31, would have been a severe blow to Japan.

Action Follows Sato's Arrival.

The agreement was reported signed at Kuibyshev by Andrei J. Vishinsky, Soviet vice minister of foreign affairs, and Lt. Gen. Yoshitsugu Tatematsu, the retiring Japanese Ambassador to Moscow.

The action came just two days after Natsuke Sato had arrived in Kuibyshev to replace Tatematsu, who resigned, an official Tokyo announcement said, because of "ill health."

Until his appointment Sato was a foreign officer adviser in Tokio.

Turf Leaders Form Unit To Help War Program

By the Associated Press.

CHICAGO, March 20.—Horse racing sportsmen formed the Turf Committee of America today to fit racing into the war picture and guide its course as a contributor to national morale.

Herbert Bayard Swope of the New York Racing Commission was appointed chairman of the committee to serve with Maj. L. A. Beard of Lexington, representing the National Breeders' Committee; William Woodward, chairman of the Jockey Club; John C. Clark of Hialeah and Harry Parr, III, of Emporium.

They were empowered to represent racing interests for the next three years and became the first group to act on a national basis for most of the major race tracks in the United States.

Mystery Flares at Sea Checked on West Coast

By the Associated Press.

SEATTLE, March 20.—Reports of mysterious flares at sea and on shore are coming in continuously at 13th Naval District headquarters here.

In a statement concerning the reports, the Navy today asked private citizens who see such flares or signal lights to note particularly their pattern, color and apparent distance and report them immediately to the nearest military authority.

"Surface and air patrol offshore has been continuing with vigilance," the statement continued, "and no enemy contacts had been made to the date of the report's release."

The statement branded as false reports of damaged ships in this area.

One Killed, Four Hurt In Maryland Crash

By the Associated Press.

GOLDSBORO, Md., March 20.—A woman was killed and four persons injured in the crash of a train and an automobile at a crossing here today.

Fatally injured was Mrs. Lida Steele, 31, driver of the car. She was en route to Dover, Del., to get an Easter outfit for her daughter, Miriam, 8.

The little girl, her grandmother and grandmother, Mr. and Mrs. Alcide Urry, and their son, Milton, were injured. Alcide Urry suffered four broken ribs; the others, minor injuries. All are residents of Goldsboro.

The gasoline-powered Pennsylvania passenger train, southbound, was halted by the impact, which occurred at a crossing obscured by a filling station, and was unable to proceed. Another train was dispatched to haul it away.